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Grosenbach Named Miss Indian BYU

Vivacious Sharon Grosenbach of the Isleta Pueblo Indian tribe in New Mexico was crowned Miss Indian BYU recently at Brigham Young University's Indian Week festivities.

The 19-year-old sophomore in accounting is a member of the Lamanite Generation and graduated in 1979 from Davis High School in Kaysville while on the LDS Church Placement Program as foster daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Welling. She is the daughter of Julie Grosenbach of Isleta.

Named first attendant was Bernice Francisco, a 21-year-old senior in social work and a Navajo from Shiprock, N.M. Second attendant was Lorraine Hall, a 19-year-old Navajo and a sophomore in elementary education from Salt Lake City.

Berdleen Pevo, a 20-year-old Shoshone from Pocatello, was presented the Queens Award and Leatrice Bennett, a 21-year-old Navajo from Mariano Lake, N.M., received the Miss Congeniality Award.

Ten contestants competed during the week in such areas as talent and knowledge of native American history, particularly their own tribe, crafts and skills.

Other contestants were Denise Begay, a Navajo from Tohatchi, N.M., Miranda Jimmie, a Choctaw-Navajo from Gallup, N.M., Barbara Lujan a Taos Pueblo from Taos, N.M., Frieda Maise, a Navajo from Shiprock, N.M., and Karen Sky, a Navajo from Churchrock, N.M.

The ceremonies were part of



The newly crowned Miss Indian BYU, Sharon Grosenbach (second from left) of the Isleta Pueblo is surrounded by her court comprised of (from left) Bernice Francisco, a Navajo from Shiprock, N.M., first princess; Lorraine Hall, a Navajo from Salt Lake City, second princess; and Leatrice Bennett, a Navajo from Mariano Lake, N.M., Miss Congeniality. (Photo by Hal Williams)

a banquet honoring John C. Rainer Sr., a Taos Pueblo leader who has spent 30 years in service to tribes throughout the United States. Since he founded the American Indian Scholarships Inc. in 1970, he has helped more

than 2,300 Indian men and women obtain their master's and doctoral degrees. Presently, the organization is assisting 215 Indian graduate students in 80 different universities across the

country.

Representatives of several tribes presented gifts to Mr. Rainer and expressed appreciation to him for all he has done for Indian youth and tribes

during his lifetime of service. One of the awards was an "Honorary Utah Citizenship" plaque and Utah Flag from Gov. Scott Matheson presented by Bruce Perry, director of the Indian Affairs Commission of Utah.

Emcee for the banquet was Dr. Robert Bennett, a retired lawyer and former commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and a long-time friend of Mr. Rainer. Tribal leaders from coast to coast made presentations of Native American ceremonial clothing, jewelry, pictures, saddle bags and jewelry cases.

Also honored was Mr. Rainer's wife, Wynema, and their three children—John C. Rainer Jr., an instructor and counselor in the BYU Indian Education Department; Howard, assistant director of American Indian Services at BYU, and Ann a third-year medical student at Stanford.

Maestases Called To Bolivian Mission

By Annabelle Charles

Dr. John R. Maestas, Tewa-Pueblo, director of Multi-Cultural Education at Brigham Young University and former chairman of the Indian Education Department, has recently been called to serve as mission president for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Dr. Maestas and his family will leave for the LaPaz Bolivia Mission in South America in July following several weeks of training at the Missionary Training Center in Provo.

Born in Morenci, Ariz., and son of Raymond C. and Ruby Gomez Maestas, he married Theresa Gallardo, daughter of Carlos and Gravelita Romero Gallardo of Manassa, Colo. They have three children.

As former chairman of the Indian Education Department on campus for four years, the department became one of the largest and most productive programs in the nation.

And as current director of Multi-Cultural Education at

BYU, he has lead programs for minority students attending the university since the department was organized in 1978.

Indian and minority students give rise to Dr. Maestas' concern for the students. Many have commented their deep appreciation for Dr. Maestas' love and concern for any student who enters his office.

Particular scholarship programs have been developed; and with Dr. Maestas' fundraising ability, these programs continue to provide Lamanite and minority students in cultivating their education at BYU.

Dr. Maestas has received numerous awards and recognition for his services and extensive involvement in directing activities on and off campus. In 1972 he was listed as one of the "Outstanding Young Men of America."

His experiences as a teacher, coordinator, and administrator will further his calling successfully as mission president in South America.

BYU Tuition To Increase Next Fall

Brigham Young University President Jeffrey R. Holland has announced an additional tuition increase for the 1981-82 school year, affecting all students

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John and Theresa Maestas have been called to serve a three-year mission in La Paz, Bolivia, for the LDS Church.



Lena Judee and "Big Al" Armenta, former star singers with the 1976 version of the Lamanite Generation, look forward to the group's 10th anniversary reunion this summer. (Photo by Mark Philbrick, BYU Public Communications)

'Generation' Plans 10th Reunion

A special 10th anniversary reunion of the Lamanite Generation alumni is being planned in Provo for the July 4th weekend.

Charlie G. Stewart and Zeke Sanchez are spear-heading a collection of names and addresses for all former students who performed with the Lamanite Generation or did anything else with the group such as tech crews, bus drivers, etc.

"Millions of people throughout the world have enjoyed the performances of the popular troupe since it started 10 years ago under the direction of founder Janie Thompson," Mr. Stewart said. "We're planning a special two-day celebration that weekend to renew old acquaintances."

He said that even if alumni can't attend the reunion, they should send in their names and addresses so that later correspondence can be sent to them about the reunion.

Some special surprises are being planned for the reunion.

The association is also looking for duplicates of color slides taken on any of the tours to help make a 10-year review possible at the reunion. Please identify the year and occasion on each slide.

Please send your name and address to Charlie Stewart, Vice-President, Lamanite Generation Alumni Association, 160 BRMB, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah 84602.

Lorenzo Curley Wins Trip To Washington, D.C.

Representing the Brigham Young University Indian student body at the American Indian Leadership Development Seminar held March 15-22 is current full-time student Lorenzo Curley.

Students selected to participate in this year's Leadership Seminar were from 35 universities in 23 states and represented 27 different tribes. Forty outstanding American Indian Leadership Development Seminar participants attended the Washington, D.C., conference.

Curley, a Navajo from Sanders, Ariz., currently majors in economics and plans for graduation in fall 1981.

The seminar, sponsored by the Indian Resources Development and Internship Program (IRDI), provided an opportunity

for outstanding Indian college students or recent graduates to meet congressional leaders and officials in government agencies and to discuss policies and programs related to Indian natural resources. Discussions were centered around this year's theme, "Indian Economic Self-Sufficiency Through Indian Resources Management."

"I was impressed with the quality of Indian students who attended the seminar and the overall knowledge and keen sharpness each individual possessed," observes Mr. Curley.

Students met with the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, the Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, representatives from the Department of Energy and representatives from CERT, a consortium of Indian tribes which control large



LORENZO CURLEY

reserves of oil, gas, coal, and uranium.

Mr. Curley adds, "I became more aware of the BIA. The organization became more of a reality to me and the purpose of the BIA became more clearly defined."

Lorenzo Curley is the son of Aurelia Curley and has three brothers and sisters. Curley is also a transfer student from Mesa Community College, Mesa, Ariz.

Reed Discusses Work

Among the many activities of Indian Week 1981, Shirley Reed made a presentation on "Social Work and You" geared to those who were either going into social work or were considering social work as a profession.

Miss Reed received her Bachelor of Arts in English from Brigham Young University and her masters from the University of Utah in social work. She currently works as a health planner for the Salt Lake City Indian Health Center.

Miss Reed advised those present that for an individual to be truly successful in the field of social work, he/she must make a thorough self-evaluation. She emphasized that the social worker should have a high regard for self, be understanding, and most important, have a good working knowledge of the concepts that will help the social worker in coping with pressure that accompany social work.

Talking in a relaxed but concerned tone, Miss Reed then shared with her audience some astounding reports. She said that "98 percent of all Indian families are affected by alcohol in some way; 70 percent of all Indian students that drop out of school do so because of some alcohol related problem; and 48 percent of all Indian families are considered at or below the national poverty level." Miss Reed cautioned those present to view these not as the problems but rather as the symptoms of the problems.

"The problems," she said, "lie within each client. They could be unhappy as a result of past experience and fear they have no place to turn. They could be suffering from a loss of identity or experiencing cultural conflicts. A social worker needs to be able to understand these problems as well as identify with them."

'Exchange' Winners Named

One of the highlights of Indian Week was the Intertribal Exchange which brought a crowd of approximately 1,500 people to the Smith Fieldhouse annex.

Tribes from throughout the U.S. and Canada presented their traditional colorful dress.

Head dancers were Diane Alley and Mason Runs Through. Master of Ceremony was Stan Snake, a former student of BYU.

In honor as Head Woman dancer, Diane Alley and her family presented gifts of appreciation to the John Maestas family, Lorraine Hall, Janie Thompson, Miss Indian BYU, Jan Gutierrez, Dan Jones, and Mason Runs Through.

Singers and drummers were the Bear River Singers from Salt Lake City, the Intermountain Indian School from Brigham City, Dennis Alley and singers from Oklahoma, and Mike Mansfield and singers from Provo.

William Numkena and the Hopi Buffalo dancers presented a traditional buffalo dance.

Contests for different divisions were held and winners were as follows.

Men's Traditional: E. J. Koshiway, Otoo, 1st place; Ralph Crane, Sioux, 2nd place; Mike Fish, Menominee, 3rd place.

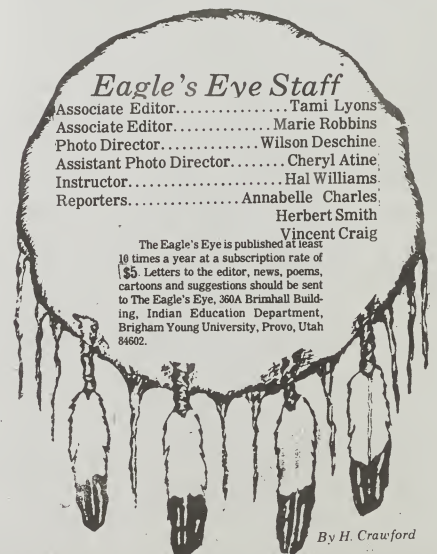
Men's Fancy Dance: Dan Yazzie, Mescalero/Navajo, 1st place; Chuck Littlecreek, Kiowa, 2nd place; Dean P. Fox, Hidatsa/Mandan, 3rd place.

Women's Traditional: Minnie Yahtin, Warm Springs, 1st place; Donna Fifita, Sisseton/Wapeton Sioux, 2nd place; Denise Alley, Pawnee/Cheyenne, 3rd place.

Women's Fancy Shawl: Alberta Littlecreek, Kiowa, 1st place; Cheryl Alex, Shoshone, 2nd place; Doreen Duncan, Hidatsa, 3rd place.

Girls 12 years and under: Jennifer Powless, Oneida/Navajo, 1st place; Lillian Rainer, Taos Pueblo/San Carlos, 2nd place; Valerie Adams, Sioux, 3rd place.

Boys 12 years and under: Kevin Alex, Shoshone, 1st place; Robert Maestas, Pueblo, 2nd place; David Rainer, Taos Pueblo/San Carlos, 3rd place.



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By H. Crawford

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Contestants Create Interesting Pageant

By Herbert Smith

Sharon Grosenbach is one of the first Pueblo Indians to be crowned Miss Indian BYU. And she's dreamed of this "responsibility" for some time.

The 19-year-old Isleta (New Mexico) Pueblo Indian was chosen by judges from among the 10 contestants and was crowned by former Miss Indian BYU (last year's) Brenda Allison Beyer.

Miss Grosenbach, who is majoring in accounting, has been performing with the Lamanite Generation for two years and has participated in various offices in the Tribe of Many Feathers. Being an executive-vice president, she had the opportunity to arrange firesides and plan activities for the freshman students on campus.

During the fall and winter semester of 1978-79, Miss Grosenbach was honored as the outstanding Lamanite Freshman, an award based upon scholarship and service within the community.

According to Miss Grosenbach, some of the responsibilities of current Miss Indian BYU will include programs such as traveling to various schools and organization to promote a better understanding of Indian life. She will also provide special workshops for the Lamanite women on campus.

"I will serve on the planning committee for the Lamanite women's conference to be held here in September," Miss Grosenbach said.

In addition to these duties, she wants to provide special activities for the Lamanite women on campus. Also she has other outings planned for up in the mountains.

"Women have a special role in the Church, and home—that of being a mother," she commented. "I'd like to show them their role while I am Miss Indian BYU." To qualify to be a contestant in the pageant, the participants had to be a least one-half Indian and single. The student must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 and be a full-time student.

For the fashion show, Miss Grosenbach modeled a traditional Pueblo costume passed down through her mother, including turquoise and silver jewelry made by her grandfather. In the modern portion of her modeling, she wore a beige business suit provided by J.C. Penneys.



Among the 10 contestants for the title of Miss Indian BYU for 1981-82 were, from left to right, Karen Sky, a Navajo from Churchrock, N.M.; Frieda Maize, a Navajo from Shiprock, N.M.; Barbara Lujan, a Taos Pueblo from Taos, N.M.; Miranda Jimmie, a Choctaw/Navajo from Gallup, N.M.; Berdeen Pevo, a Shoshone from Pocatello, Idaho; and Denise Begay, a Navajo from Tohatchim, N.M.

In July of 1981, Miss Grosenbach will compete with other contestants from different parts of the United States for the Miss Indian America contest in Sheridan, Wyo.

Other Miss Indian BYU contestants included the following students:

Denise Elaine Begay—a 22-year-old Navajo from Tohatchi, N.M., a junior majoring in fashion merchandise and retailing; daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Nash; in her spare time she enjoys barrel racing, horseback riding, and snowskiing and hiking; she is the oldest of seven children.

Leatrice K. Bennett—a 21-year-old Navajo from Shiprock, N.M., a junior majoring in English; she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett; in her spare time she enjoys sewing, cooking, swimming, and playing basketball. She has five brothers and three sisters.

Bernice Ann Francisco—a 24-year-old Navajo from Shiprock, N.M., and a senior majoring in social work. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Francisco. In her spare time she enjoys cooking, swimming, reading, and teaching. She has eight sisters and one brother. She is a member of the Lamanite Generation.

Lorraine Hall—a 19-year-old Navajo from Salt Lake City, Utah, and sophomore in elementary education. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth W. Hall. In her spare time

she enjoys dancing, skiing, volleyball, and needlework. She has three sisters and is member of the Lamanite Generation.

Miranda Jimmie—a 21-year-old Choctaw-Navajo from Gallup, N.M. She is a junior in nursing. She is the daughter of Mrs. MaryAnn Livingston. In her spare time she enjoys reading, sewing, playing basketball and playing her flute. She has two sisters and one brother.

Barbara Lujan—a 21-year-old Taos Pueblo from Taos, N.M., and a sophomore majoring in zoology. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lujan. In her spare time enjoys outdoor sports, jogging, learning new languages, and performing with the Lamanite Generation. She has three sisters and one brother.

Frieda Maize—an 18-year-old Navajo from Shiprock, N.M., and freshman majoring in nursing. She is the daughter of Mrs. Louise Maize. In her spare time likes to cook, sew, play basketball, and do creative crafts. She has five sisters and one brother.

Berdeen Rebecca Pevo—a 20-year-old Shoshone from Pocatello, Idaho, and a sophomore majoring in elementary education; the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pevo Sr., she enjoys reading, horseback riding, and all outdoor sports. Second to the oldest of eight brother and sisters, she is also a member of the Lamanite Generation.

Karen Marie Sky—an 18-year-

old Navajo from Churchrock, N.M., and a freshman in nursing. She is the daughter of Mrs. Irene Mae Sky. In her spare time she enjoys crocheting, hand-crafts, jogging, and drawing. She has two brothers and two sisters.



New Miss Indian BYU, Sharon Grosenbach, waves to the crowd of nearly 1,000 students and special guests at the concluding Indian Week banquet in the Wilkinson Center. (Photographs by Hal Williams)

Tuition Increases

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except those in the Law School.

Tuition for undergraduate and advanced standing students who are members of the LDS Church will be raised \$5 beyond the \$545 announced last December, bringing the total to \$550 per semester or 13.4 percent above the current rate. Tuition for non-LDS students will be raised \$7.50 to a total of \$825 per semester. Non-LDS students at the LDS-sponsored university pay one and a half times the regular rate.

Tuition in the Graduate School of Management will be increased an additional \$60 for a total of \$940 for LDS students. Law School tuition will remain at \$1,000 as previously announced.

Dr. Holland said the tuition increase announced last December was based on then current budgetary guidelines, but

an additional increase is necessary because the Church Educational System, through which BYU is administered, has since been asked to reduce its budget requests for the next academic year. The BYU Board of Trustees has authorized the tuition increase to partially offset this budgetary restriction.

The budget reduction is in keeping with national trends for fiscal belt tightening, and BYU's tuition increase closely corresponds to the annual inflation rate. "BYU's tuition is still far below any comparable private university in the nation," the president said.

He noted that the increase for the Graduate School of Management is greater than the general increase, partly to offset the budget cut and partly to bring the school's tuition more in line with other professional schools.

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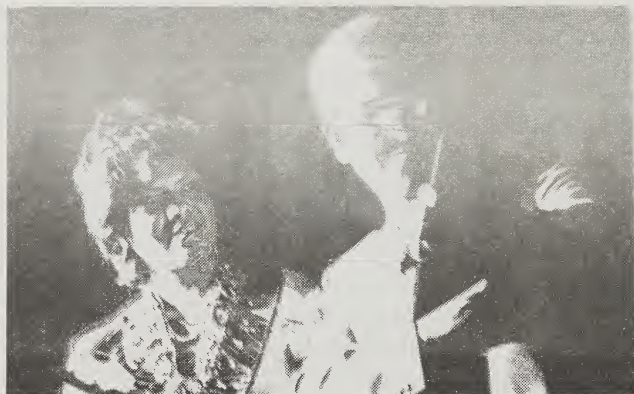
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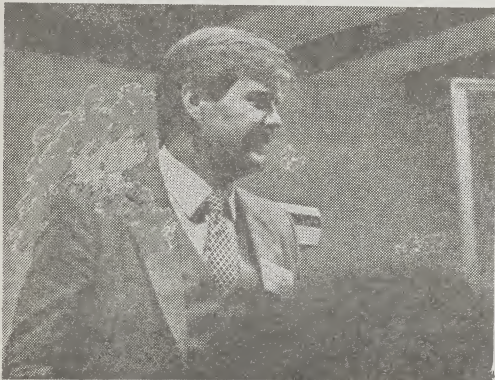


BYU President Jeffrey R. Holland greets John C. Rainer Sr. as AIS director Dr. Dale Tingey looks on. The Inter-tribal Choir sings under the direction of John C. Rainer Jr. (top).



Hardin Walker, a Zuni, does an honor dance (above), Indian Week co-chairman Jan Guiterrez presents a gift to Dr. John Maestas (left photo below) and a statement is read honoring Mr. Rainer.

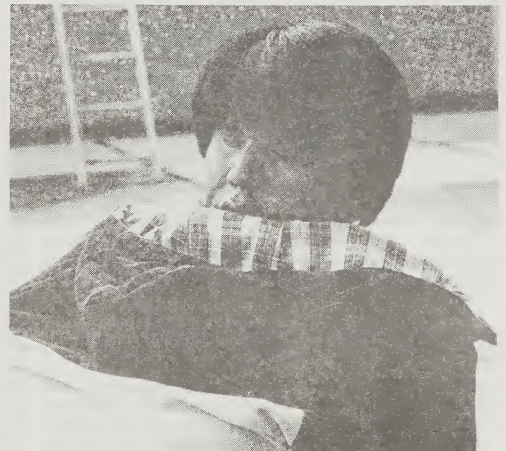




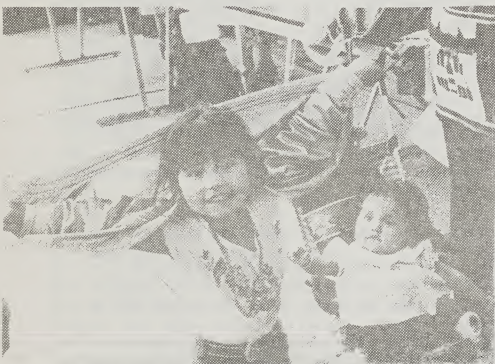
TMF president Dan Sine accepts the book "History of the Pueblos" by author Mr. Sando (top left) and Dr. Lynn Eric Johnson gives one of the workshops during Indian Week (above).



Miss Utah (Jean Bullard), a BYU Lumbee Indian, performs at the banquet.



Ute Matt West takes a "break" during the busy week, and students visit the booths in the Wilkinson Center east patio.



Dave Hernandez, Justin Ulae and Phil Lee sing "Yes, I'm a Lamanite" during the Lamanite Generation performance, and children enjoy the week also.



Ralph Crane (left) and Charlie Stewart fancy dance during the Lamanite Generation show, and Anthony Beyer collects money for the banquet.

Miss Indian America Visits BYU Campus

By Marie Robbins
Co-Editor

Indian Week 1981 brought people from different parts of the United States and Canada to the Brigham Young University campus to take part in the week-long festivities. Making a special appearance at Indian Week was Melanie Tallmadge, Miss Indian America XXVI, temporarily from Sheridan, Wyo.

Melanie, a 20 year-old Winnebago Minnesota Sioux Indian originally from Wisconsin Dells, Wis., visited with students and guests during her two-day visit to BYU. "Utah marks the 22nd state that I have visited since my coronation as Miss Indian America," commented Melanie.

Last August, Melanie took part in the annual Frontier Days celebration in Sheridan. Competing for the title of Miss Indian America XXVI. She represented the Great Lakes tribes of Michigan and Wisconsin, along with 18 other Indian contestants representing various Indian tribal groups and blends throughout the Indian nation. "I was somewhat unacquainted with pageants, since the only other pageant I have ever participated in was the 'Miss Great Lakes' pageant," explains Melanie.

Melanie attributes her winning the title to her speaking ability. "I have always enjoyed public speaking. I've developed this talent through years of practice and working with people. Being Miss Indian America, I've had numerous opportunities to speak to groups and various audiences."

Asked what has been the highlight of her reign as Miss Indian America thus far, Melanie quickly responded, "In January, I had the privilege of participating in the Presidential Inaugural Festival in Washington, D.C. along with three other prominent Indian people: Ray Tracey, (actor),

Joseph Running Fox, (actor), and Dr. John R. Maestas, (director of Multicultural Department, BYU). It was really exciting and most enjoyable." (Both Ray and Joseph are BYU alumni.)

Another favorite of Miss Tallmadge's activities is the opportunity she has of traveling and meeting people from various walks of life: the young, old, Indians, and non-Indians alike.

"Every week I am traveling to a new and different place and meeting with new people. Mostly I visit with young children or older people and seldom with people my own age. So my visit to a college campus such as BYU, is exciting for me and I feel very comfortable."

Miss Tallmadge, whose Indian name is Eagle Princess because she is of the Eagle clan, is the youngest of four children. Her parents are Bernadine Tallmadge and the late Roger J. Tallmadge.

Melanie credits her father as the most influential person in her life. "My father died of a heart attack in November 1980 while on an Indian diplomatic mission in Saudia Arabia. He was quite an articulate speaker and a very loving man. He has greatly influenced my life."

Melanie further explained that many times when she is on the road, among people she hardly knows, she gets lonely and misses her family. But through the inspiration and the remembrance of her father, she is able to confidently represent the Indian people. "With my father gone, he is not at home in Wisconsin. Therefore, he is always with me in spirit to wherever I travel and the Lord is watching over me because I've never missed a plane, never missed a phone call nor have I had any bad reporters."

As Miss Indian America, Melanie has the opportunity to express her views on national issues and topics that are important to her. "The most important



Eagle's Eye reporter Marie Robbins (left) interviews Miss Indian America Melanie Tallmadge as TMF president Dan Sine (a distant cousin to Melanie) listens. (Photo by Hal Williams)

philosophy that I try to advocate to people I come in contact with is that in order to make the most of life, a person must gain self-pride. They must have a good feeling about themselves and their life. This is very important in achieving your goals and reaching your potential. A person must be proud of himself or herself and stand tall."

Miss Tallmadge openly expressed her view on the equal rights for women: "I agree to a point about the ERA issue. I believe in the Constitutional rights of women in our society, but I believe we must also uphold the traditional roles of women. The traditional roles of women vary with different groups and cultures of people depending on their traditions and customs."

Another national issue which Melanie expressed her views was on the Iranian hostages. Although she stated that she was elated that the hostages were able to return to their homeland and their families, she felt that their homecoming was a little too elaborate. She further stated that the non-Indians were just now praising the hostages and labeling them as "heroes." But the Indian people have long

respected and honored their veterans.

The articulate Indian queen is a sophomore at the University of Wisconsin-Lacrosse where she is majoring in art education.

Melanie enjoys outdoor sports, such as jogging and mountain climbing. She is not attending college this year because of her current role as Miss Indian America.



Melanie Tallmadge, Miss Indian America, speaks at the Thursday luncheon for participants in the American Indian Services conference (Photo by Hal Williams)

Indian Week Winners



Some of the writing, speech and photography contest winners include from left, front row, Herman Frazier, Marie Robbins, Ramona Nez, Pearl Berteaux; back row- Theresa May Jean, Fabian Norberto, Rhae Washburn, Mililani Town, and John Paul Lilly. (Photo by Hal Williams)

A special luncheon was held March 19 at Brigham Young University for the winners in speech, writing and photography contests held in conjunction with Indian Week.

The luncheon was conducted by Dr. Janice Clemmer, chairman for the 1981 Indian Week. The winners are as follows:

Writing: Senior Division (high school graduates & above) 1st place: Pearl Berteaux, Apache, BYU Senior; 2nd place: Ramona Nez, Navajo; 3rd place: Mary Dukepoo, Hopi, BYU Sophomore.

Writing: Junior Division (12 through high school senior) 1st place: Herman Frazier, Navajo, Huntsville, Utah (Placement student) 15 yrs. (brother of Cheryl and Curtis Frazier); 2nd place: Nance L. Egan, Owyhee, Nevada 17 yrs.; 3rd place: none awarded.

Speech: Senior Division, prepared speeches (high school graduates and above) 1st place: Fabian Norberto, Navajo, BYU Sophomore; 2nd place: Shawn G. Weems, Tsimshian, Council Annette Island Reserve, Washington, BYU Junior; 3rd place: Pearl Berteaux (see writing, Sr. Division).

Speech: Senior, extemporaneous speech (high school graduates and above) 1st place: Teresa May Jean, Navajo, BYU Freshman; 2nd place: John Paul Lilly, Laguna Pueblo, BYU Sophomore; 3rd place: Kathy Kokenes, Mililani Town, Oahu, Hawaii, BYU Junior.

Speech: Junior division (12 through high school) No entries.

Photography: Senior division (high school graduate and above) 1st place: Marie Robbins, Navajo, BYU Senior; 2nd place: Fabian Norberto (see Speech, Sr., Prepared); 3rd place: Rhae Washburn, Comanche, BYU Senior.

Photography: Junior division (12 through high school) 1st place: Kori Clemmer, Wasco-Shawnee-Delaware, Salt Lake City, 16 yrs.; 2nd place: Xan Clemmer, Wasco-Shawnee-Delaware, Salt Lake City, 14 yrs.; 3rd place: Kori Clemmer, (see above).



Former Lamanite Generation singer and dancer Rosie Toledo won the Miss Indian Scholarship pageant and will compete in the Miss Utah pageant this summer. (Photo by Mark Philbrick, BYU Public Communications)

Tribes Honor Rainer For Long-time Service

By Annabelle Charles

The banquet in honor of John C. Rainer, Sr. for his 30 years of service to Indian graduate students was attended by Indian people and guests filling the Wilkinson Ballroom March 19 as "Indian Week" came to a close.

Dr. Robert L. Bennett, former Commissioner of Bureau of Indian Affairs, directed the honor program for Mr. Rainer, who also made great contributions in establishing the American Indian Scholarship, Inc.

People throughout the United States who have worked with American Indian Scholarship, past recipients and honored guests gave gifts of appreciation for recognition of his service in providing scholarships to Indian graduate students.

A representative for Governor Scott Matheson of Utah presented Mr. Rainer the "Honorary Citizen Award," which is one of the highest awards given to a non-resident of the state.

In his remarks to the audience, Mr. Rainer said, "To each of you present, to each of you who worked so diligently for this occasion, to this great institution, its President Jeffrey Holland, and other authorities who are here for this occasion tonight, I am deeply and humbly thankful.

"No person can succeed or reach the objectives of his life without support," continued Mr. Rainer. He proudly asked his wife and children to stand and acknowledged their love and support.

"And I love each member of the Board of Directors of American Indian Scholarship dearly. They are very close to me . . . my little staff who are loyal, dedicated and they feel the pains I do when we struggle to get funding for the Indian graduate students.

"I thank you deeply for your loyalty.

"Brigham Young University Indian men and women in this audience tonight: I hope that you will follow the footsteps of Dr. Bennett and the Board of Directors. . . . We have a long way to go. We are historical circumstances—victims within our own country. This institution and the members of the Latter-day Saint Church have deep love for each of us. They are putting money into what they believe in by reducing tuition and fee costs for you to attend BYU. Brigham Young is highly respected throughout the United States, throughout the world. I understand when executives of corporations, big companies want men with integrity, women with integrity—they look to BYU

Rosie Toledo Wins Title

By Herbert Smith

Rosie Toledo, a lovely Navajo-Jemez Indian from Salt Lake City, was crowned Miss Indian Scholarship on March 21 at Orem Junior High School.

Miss Toledo, a senior at Brigham Young University, was chosen from among seven Lamanite contestants who competed in various talent shows and evening gowns. Also they posed in swimming suit for the judging panel.

As for the competition in the talent show, Miss Toledo did an oral reading followed by a musical number entitled "The Candle."

Miss Toledo, a former member of the popular touring group the Lamanite Generation, has attended Brigham Young University and BYU-Hawaii for three years. She was also a member of the National Honor Society and was a contestant for Miss Utah in 1977. Her hobbies include such things as jogging, snow skiing, tennis and swimming. She would like to pursue a career in public relations and a master's degree in a speech-related field.

Pronounced as winner of the Miss Indian Scholarship contest, she will compete for the Miss Utah title in April. The winner of that contest will go on to participate in the Miss America Pageant later on this year.

Miss Toledo's attendants were all BYU students. The first runner-up was Denise Alley, a Cherokee from Salt Lake City. Denise is a junior majoring in communications and also is a member of the Lamanite Generation. Her special interests included such things as dancing, painting and cooking.

Jamie Cook, an 18-year-old Cherokee from Great Lakes, Ill., was the second runner-up. She is majoring in business and is hoping to be a successful lawyer after she graduates.

The third runner-up was Marie Smith, 19, a Navajo-Apache Indian from Oraibi, Ariz. She is a freshman majoring in English wants to obtain a degree in law. Miss Smith is a member of the BYU Intertribal Choir.

The winners of the contest were awarded scholarships which were donated by BYU, Northwest Pipeline, and Sundance.

to find them with those characteristics. So, it is needless for me to say how proud we are of this institution. I thank you again for the opportunity to appear before you."

He received a standing ovation from nearly 1,000 people in attendance.



Henrietta Billie holds packets of seeds. (Photo by Mark Philbrick, BYU Public Communications)

AIS Spreads Seeds For Indian Gardens

Literally tons of garden produce will be consumed by Indian families in the United States and Canada as a result of a special garden seed program sponsored by American Indian Services (AIS) at Brigham Young University.

Dr. Dale Tingey, AIS director, recently received 10,000 one-gallon cans of seeds from the Clyde Robins Seed Company in Castro Valley, Calif. Each can is vacuum-sealed and contains 14 kinds of vegetable seeds in separate packets. The seeds have a germinating storage life-span of from five to ten years.

"The family garden project has been a tremendous success in the past few years," Dr. Tingey said. "It is a great motivator in helping Indian families see the potential in using their land."

Hundreds of the cans of seeds were distributed to Indians attending the AIS agricultural and Leadership Conference March 17-19 in conjunction with Indian week. Tribal leaders from across the United States and Canada attended the conference.

"The garden project has spread as far north as the Arctic Circle," Dr. Tingey pointed out. "A few years ago, a BYU student returned to his native Eskimo area in northwest Alaska opposite Siberia. He had learned gardening while living in Orem as a student.

"He wanted to help his people use the rich land they have by planting gardens. Skepticism by others didn't stop his project. He planted and helped others plant gardens in the rich soil. Within three years, more than 800 families had gardens there."

Dr. Tingey emphasized that LDS Church President Spencer W. Kimball has admonished every family to have a garden—whether members of the Mormon Church or not. "The benefits are more than having fresh vegetables; families develop more unity and independence when they see the fruits of their labor in gardening," he added.

The cans of seeds are available at the AIS office in the Joseph Smith Building for \$10. The seeds inside are valued at about \$23. Orders may be placed by calling (801) 378-4364. Add \$1.50 for mailing.



Bruce Perry presents an "honorary Utah" citizenship plaque (left) to Mr. Rainer. At the conclusion of the honor banquet, he received a standing ovation. His wife Wynema joins in the honor. (Photos by Hal Williams)

Navajos At Cameron, Ariz., Turning Desert To High-Yield Cropland Thru Training

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The Cameron Chapter of the Navajo Nation is working to establish a comprehensive farm training project in the valley of the Little Colorado River near Cameron in northern Arizona.

The project will work to unite both the traditional knowledge of dry farming and modern scientific methods of agricultural developments, solar energies, and appropriate technologies.

Cameron is located on the western edge of the Painted Desert in the Little Colorado River Valley of northern Arizona north of Flagstaff. The climate is harsh in this many-colored land of buttes and mesas: less than six inches of rain fall annually; summer temperatures often exceed 100°F, while the winter lows of 10°F are common.

The Navajo people of Cameron have long depended on subsistence livestock husbandry and traditional arts and crafts for their livelihood. Unlike the eastern side of the Navajo Nation, the western region has no natural resources such as oil, coal, gas, or timber. A few small

uranium deposits do exist in Cameron but overall, the only plentiful natural resources are the sun, the wind, the dry sands and the waters of the Little Colorado River Valley.

The farm training project will help in building a realization among the Navajo people of Cameron and the surrounding areas about the technical capabilities of agricultural potential for their homelands. The farm project is one attempted by the local chapter several years ago to develop an economy that is environmentally sound and adapted to the traditional culture rather than the resumption of the open pit uranium mining that has proven extremely hazardous to the health of the people.

"The project involves participation from the people of Cameron and the surrounding chapter communities of Sandsprings, Birdsprings, Luepp, and Tolani Lake," stated Ray Mitchell, executive director, Cameron Farm Project. "Due to federal budget cuts, the farm project will have to decrease their present budget by 35%. This will

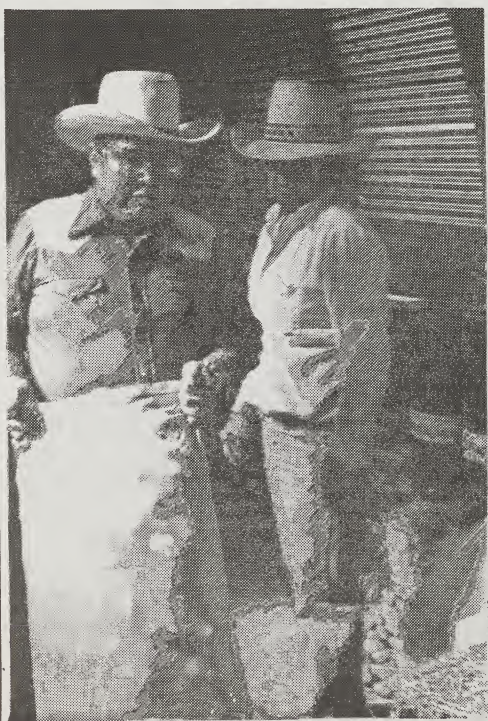
mean that we must make a cut-back in hiring and depend solely on volunteer laborers from the communities and the farm families," remarked Mr. Mitchell.

Presently, there are about 65 acres of arid land being cultivated by the Cameron people. In late March, spring planting began, including several acres of potatoes, sudex, and combinations of corn, melon, tomatoes, fruit trees, etc. Several acres of land are used for farm homesteads for various families. "Family members will provide the labor needed for efficient operation of the farming areas although the project office will continue to assist with the necessary technological 'know how,' and provide the farm equipments needed," explained Mr. Mitchell.

The American Indian Services and Research Center at Brigham Young University has been a steady contributor to the Cameron Farm Project. During the early stages of the project, AIS donated the first funding for the project. Today, after being a fully funded operation, the farm project continues to rely on AIS. "Even though we've had considerable amount of federal monies allocated to the project, we still rely on the assistance of AIS to help in locating specific farm equipment, give technological advice and secure donations of hundreds of fruit trees annually," stated Mr. Mitchell.

Another important aspect of the farm project is the construction of two solar greenhouse complexes. The first greenhouse measuring 30' x 10' was built to be used as a small training greenhouse for the grassroot people. This will help in increasing the knowledge and demonstrate the immediate practicality of energy self-sufficient agricultural development to increase both food production and forage crops for the livestock. The other greenhouse complex is located on the sandy ledge overlooking the Little Colorado River within the river gorge. The solar greenhouse is made of massive adobe and native stone construction with greenhouse heating.

The project also has an ongoing operation of the equipment repair and maintenance shop, which has been in full operation for a couple of years. The shop has proven to be an essential part of the farm training



project. Daily preventative maintenance and repairs are made on farm equipments as needed.

A full-time agricultural engineer works for the farm project doing aerial, gravimetric, and seismic surveys of alluvium in all four chapters along the Little Colorado River to determine storage potential of the alluvium and irrigation system designs for two sites in Cameron. In addition, field surveying, soil infiltrometry, well pump installation and trouble-shooting, sprinkler, gated pipe, and furrow irrigation system installation and operation are all the duties of the engineer.

In addition to their efforts to establishing self-reliant agricultural economy for their chapter, the Cameron Farm is also playing an important role in the assertion of Navajo water rights in the Little Colorado River Basin. "Far too long have the white people taken advantages of our illiteracy. They have been using the waters of the Little Colorado River to supply energies and resources for their cities. The water rightfully belongs to the Navajo people,"

states an elderly citizen of Cameron, Elwood Canyon.

The tribe is currently developing its case and that is where Cameron fits in. It is certain that the more water the Navajo people can develop and work with, the stronger the Navajo water claims case will be.

Therefore, the water development being done at Cameron, in addition to being an integral part of the agricultural community, is aimed at developing self-reliance in asserting and proving Navajo rights to the Little Colorado River water.

The Farm Project has generated considerable interest and enthusiasm among not only the local people, but also among chapters all across the Navajo Nation. It seems clear that every Navajo community would benefit immensely from having tools, supplies, equipments, and the necessary technical back-up made available at the community level. Indeed, the Cameron Farm Training Project is a strong and viable example and testimony of how a community economic development program can be initiated and controlled at the grassroots.